# **BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006 Winston-Salem (MSA) [49180]**

Winston-Salem is one of 363 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the nation. Its 2006 population of 455,043 ranked 106th in the nation.

# PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Winston-Salem had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$34,311. This PCPI ranked 117th in the United States and was 93 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.0 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Winston-Salem was \$25,183 and ranked 55th in the United States. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.3 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Winston-Salem had a total personal income (TPI) of \$15,613,084\*. This TPI ranked 105th in the United States. In 1996 the TPI of Winston-Salem was \$10,110,085\* and ranked 94th in the United States. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 6.9 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Winston-Salem. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 64.2 percent of TPI (compared with 66.6 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 20.5 percent (compared with 21.1 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 15.3 percent (compared with 12.4 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 4.9 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 12.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 9.1 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 4.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.7 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Winston-Salem increased from \$11,081,553\* in 2005 to \$11,575,670\* in 2006, an increase of 4.5 percent. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$7,494,708\* to the 2006 estimate was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.